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Technical Director

A native of Nashua, N.H., Mr. Charles Martinek graduated from the U.S. Naval Academy in 1966 with a bachelor's degree in naval science. After serving two tours at sea as first lieutenant on the USS WORDEN (DLG-18) and special weapons officer on the USS Oklahoma City (CLG-5), he transferred to the Navy's oceanography community.

In 1972, Mr. Martinek graduated with distinction from the U.S. Naval Postgraduate School with a master's degree in physical oceanography. Following graduation, he served as the Antisubmarine/Undersea Warfare analyst on the staff of the Commander-in-Chief, Pacific Fleet. From 1974-1977, Mr. Martinek was an oceanography and meteorology instructor at the U.S. Naval Academy. From there, he became commanding officer of Oceanographic Unit Five aboard the USNS Harkness conducting hydrographic surveys in Haiti and Egypt.

Mr. Martinek then reported to the Commander-in-Chief, U.S. European Command as the staff hydrographer. While there, he earned a master's degree in international relations from the University of Southern California. In 1981, Mr. Martinek reported to the Defense Mapping Agency as the executive assistant to the director. He then joined the staff of the Oceanographer of the Navy serving first as operations officer and then as the special assistant to the oceanographer.

In 1986, Mr. Martinek became the executive officer at the Naval Oceanographic Office (NAVOCEANO). He assumed the additional duties as director of operations in 1987 and was selected as commanding officer of NAV-OCEANO in 1989. After this tour, Mr. Martinek served as deputy oceanographer of the Navy. His last military assignment was at the U.S. Naval Academy serving as the chairman of the oceanography department until his retirement from the Navy in 1995.

Most recently, Mr. Martinek has served as assistant vice-president with Planning Systems Incorporated, a company that provides applied systems engineering and information technology applications to federal government and commercial clients.

In January 2005, Mr. Martinek was selected as NAVOCEANO's technical director, the senior civilian in the organization. In this position, he directs the administration and overall execution of command policy and is responsible for the scientific and technical content of all command programs, plans, and policies. He is also the technical liaison with the research and development and system development communities, as well as with other federal agencies, state and foreign governments, universities, laboratories and private enterprise.



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